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Subject: [City_managers] Local Government Summit Announcement

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TO: **California City Officials**
FROM: Chris McKenzie, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Invitation to Local Government Summit on Governance and Fiscal Reform, July 17-18

I am pleased to send you the following invitation to attend and participate in a historic summit meeting of city, county and school officials July 17-18 in Sacramento to discuss and debate the emerging proposals to reform our state governance and fiscal systems. Please share it with all mayors, council members, city managers and other senior officials in city government.

This meeting is co-sponsored by the League through the City County School (CCS) Partnership, and it will give you a great opportunity to help influence the future direction of our state. Originally proposed by the League board of directors, it will provide an opportunity for local government leaders to provide leadership on these critically important issues at this time of great uncertainty in our state.

We urge you to take this invitation to your city council and to have a public discussion about the importance of reforming our system of governing and financing our state government. A growing number of thought leaders, including the co-chairs of the reform group California Forward, believe that the key to improving the governance of California lies in enhancing the capacity of local governments to solve community problems instead of constantly looking to state government to do everything. See *"Key to Reforming State Government is to Think Locally"* http://www.sacbee.com/1190/story/1890536.html. In fact, this is the presumption on which the Summit is being organized.

Please select one or more representatives to attend the Summit. We urge you to announce their selection and to let the news media know of the choices. In the next few weeks we will be sending out more information prior to the Summit. I can assure you it will be an event that will be extremely worthwhile and could even help make California more governable in the future.

Thanks. Please let me know if you have any questions.

You Are Invited to the

Local Government Summit on Governance and Fiscal

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Reform
July 17-18, Sacramento

sponsored by the
Cities Counties Schools Partnership
A collaboration of the League of California Cities,
the California State Association of Counties and the California School Boards Association

Join with hundreds of city, county and school leaders to consider and help craft reforms that will restore a greater degree of local control over services, taxation and spending decisions and end the decades of the state's failure to adopt balanced budgets and meet the pressing needs of our state.

✓ *Hear from Experts*
✓ *Review Draft Local Government Principles of Reform*
✓ *Consider Whether We Need a Constitutional Convention to Do the job*
✓ *Work with Peers to Create a Plan for Reform Local Governments Need!*

It's Time to Restore Local Control!

Additional Details

Who: Elected and senior appointed city/county officials and school board members

When: **Friday, July 17**: 1 - 2 p.m. - Registration
2 - 4:30 p.m. - Program
5 - 6:30 p.m. – Reception then dinner on your own
Saturday, July 18: 8 am - 3 p.m. – Program, including breakfast/lunch

Where: Hyatt Regency, Hyatt Regency Sacramento, 1209 L Street, Sacramento

Cost: **$80** for elected and senior appointed city and county officials and school board members; **$120** for all others

How City Officials and Others[1] Can REGISTER:

- **Summit Registration:** online at www.cacities.org/events
- **Hotel Reservation:** Contact the Hyatt Regency directly at (800) 233-1234 and ask for the special Local Government Summit room block, $124 plus taxes for the night of Friday, July 17
  - **Cut-Off Date for Hotel Rooms**: July 7, 2009

[1] County officials should register through CSAC and school board members through CSBA.